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Utility Dept. Loses \$5,000



CHAIRMAN HAYES READS REPORT

The Elba Light and Water Board met at noon Monday in a meeting postponed from the previous Tuesday night. The meeting was routine.

Chairman Charles Hayes III reported that the auditor had indicated the Board was in good condition relative to bonded indebtedness, and he would present a detailed report on this at the January meeting.

Hayes pointed out to the members that as usual during this time of the year, the Board operated at a deficit, with a \$5,347.85 loss. He explained that power use drops in winter but operating expenses remain almost the same. The December 13 financial statement of the board indicated a utility billing of \$70,245.70 and expenses of \$75,593.84. Of this expense the power bill (electricity purchased) totaled \$46,763.76.

The board was also given a list of delinquent accounts that totaled only \$204.74 from November. A list of inactive accounts (users moved) had a \$530.05 balance due, but deposits had not been applied to these.

An estimate of the cost of providing power to the new National Guard Army is being prepared and installation is expected to cost about \$12,000. The board also discussed low voltage to several areas of the city and stressed the urgency of the quarter-million dollar upgrading of the system that is on the drawing boards.

One full power application was approved. These are for people whose homes are all electric and who get a one-time cash bonus for using electricity. The figure is based on the square footage in the house.

A letter was read from the Alabama Department of Public Health with the results of an Elba water well inspection. The inspection indicated that due to water table dropping, wells one and three should have some additional work done on them to prevent future trouble. Due to the dropping of the water table, the Health Department suggested that Well #2 (at city pool) be reduced to pumping only 500 gallons per minute.

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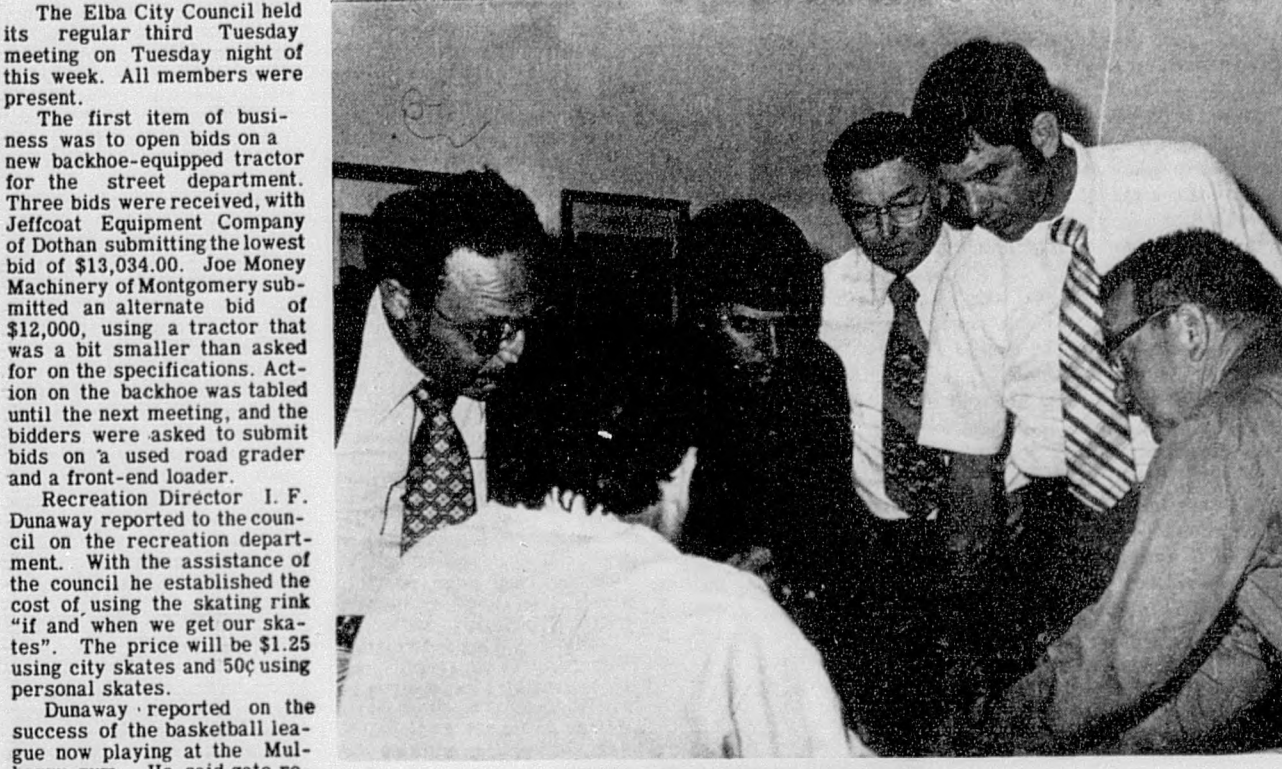
School Cuts Teaching Staff By One

This newspaper has received a number of complaints from concerned parents in regard to the combining of some fourth grade classes at the Elba Elementary School recently. The complaints prompted a call to Superintendent Elmer Taylor and a request for an explanation.

Taylor said a teacher in the kindergarten had resigned and since there were five fourth grade teachers instructing 115 students, it was felt that this was the move to make.

He further explained how the number of teachers are arrived at and why it is sometimes incorrect. The State Department of Education sends out an estimated number of teacher units allowed based on past enrollment and anticipated legislative action. According to the estimate Elba would have kindergarten teachers but the legislature did not fund the kindergarten program, therefore, the system was overstaffed as far as state funds were concerned. Before the education bills passed the legislature, school had started with the kindergarten program included. Last week a kindergarten teacher resigned and Taylor decided to transfer one of the fourth grade teachers to the kindergarten. He said that the fourth grade classes are still not overfilled and the reduction in teacher units due to the resignation was a fortunate circumstance. The final action of the board was to approve paying a \$10 Christmas bonus to all employees.

Council Discusses City Limits Move



COUNCILMEN Huddle Over Plan

The Elba City Council held its regular third Tuesday meeting on Tuesday night of this week. All members were present.

The first item of business was to open bids on a new backhoe-equipped tractor for the street department. Three bids were received, with Jettco Equipment Company of Dothan submitting the lowest bid of \$15,034.00. Joe Money Machinery of Montgomery submitted an alternate bid of \$12,000, using a tractor that was a bit smaller than asked for on the specifications. Action on the backhoe was tabled until the next meeting, and the bidders were asked to submit bids on a used road grader and a front-end loader.

Recreation Director I. F. Dunaway reported to the council on the recreation department. With the assistance of the council he established the cost of using the skating rink "if and when we get our skates". The price will be \$1.25 using city skates and 50¢ using personal skates.

Dunaway reported on the success of the basketball league now playing at the Mulberry gym. He said gate receipts were \$41.25 and the council instructed him to turn this money in to be deposited in the recreation fund.

Dunaway reported he had a price of \$64.15 on a tennis net; there were five leaks in the recreation building, and that a survey be taken on securing toll-free telephone service to Enterprise and New Brockton. The council heard a short report from Police Chief M. W. Johnston.

The final item of business was to review a proposed plan for extending the city limits by ordinance. The plan was prepared by Councilman Charles Ellis. His plan would add 10-1/2 sections of land (12,480 acres) to the City of Elba. No figure was available on the number of people this includes. Ellis said this area is building up and these people could use the services the city has to offer.

Generally, the extension would move the city limits one mile in each direction. It drops to 3/4 mile South on the Kinston Highway, because of a previous extension, and to 1/2 mile on the Northeast, due to there being nothing but woods in the area. However, along the Elba-New Brockton Highway area, the proposal is to extend the limits an additional 2-1/2 miles. Ellis said this area is building up and these people could use the services the city has to offer.

The various surveys are to be completed by city employees and the matter will be on the agenda for the first meeting in April.



Two Youths Are Arrested On Drug Charges At School

Last Thursday Elba police arrested two Elba High School students and charged them with drug possession. The officers went to the school with warrants to search one youth's car and happened to see suspected drugs in a car parked next to the one being searched. A check revealed that it was marijuana and both youths were arrested and later released on bonds.

One of the boys was later charged with selling drugs. The charges were based on previous evidence collected by police officers, according to statements made by the arresting officers.

The case of possession on one of the youths will be tried in city court, as it is his first offense. The other youth has a previous conviction, according to officers, and the case will be bound over to Circuit Court. His case of selling drugs will automatically be bound over to the higher court as a felony.

Band Concert Slated For Tonight At School

The Elba City School Bands will be presenting their annual Christmas concert on Thursday, December 18th at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The scheduled concert is presented to the people of Elba by the band members in appreciation of the continuing support and interest shown in them.

The Intermediate Band, directed by Mr. Scott Weidner, will perform two numbers for the concert. It is composed of fifty-five sixth, seventh and eighth grade students who are in their second year of band.

The Concert and Symphonic Bands, each composed of approximately sixty members under the direction of Mr. Bob Stamp, will also perform several numbers. Special selections will be performed by a brass choir consisting of several members of the Symphonic Band.

No admission is charged to the concert but any donations will be received at the door. Band students will be distributing complimentary tickets but are not necessary for admission.

Retail Business Shows Decrease In County

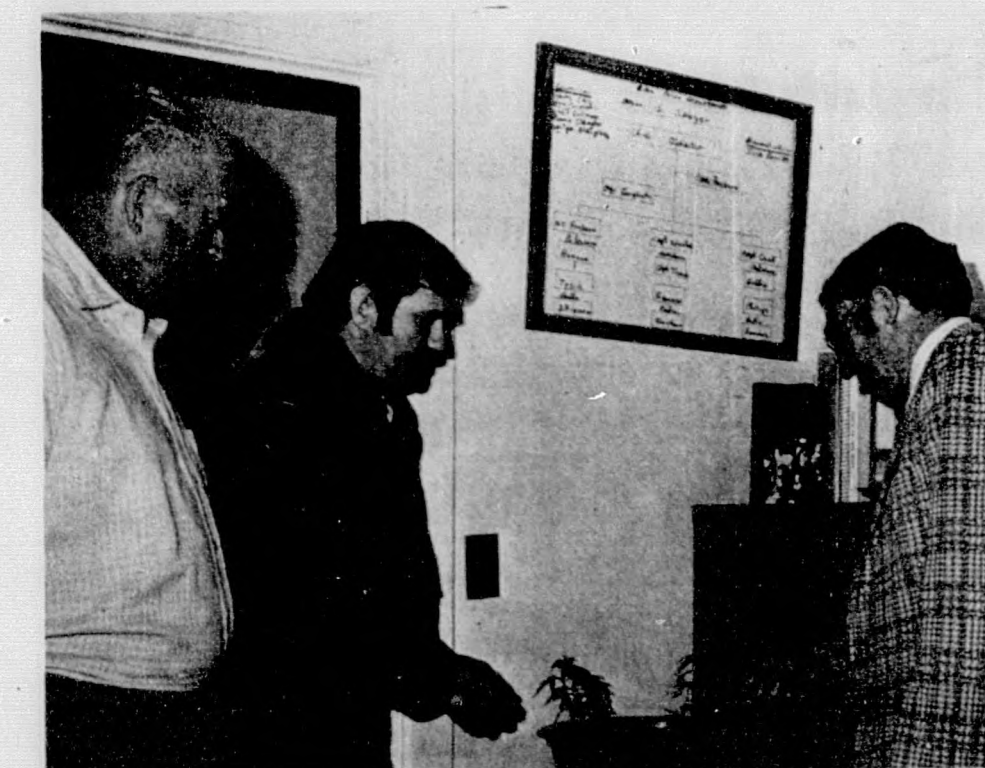
A recent issue of Alabama Business, published by the Center for Business and Economic Research at the University of Alabama, contained figures on retail sales in various counties in the state including Coffee County for the period of January-September of 1975 compared with the same period in 1974.

Coffee County reported a drop of 0.7 percent overall during this period. Leading the decrease was eating places with a whopping 30.1 percent drop. Building supplies and lumber sales dropped 15.4 percent reflecting the nationwide drop in construction. This was followed closely by a 13% drop in sales by gas stations, even though car sales were off only 8.8 percent.

Furniture sales dropped 11.6 percent in the county. It is interesting to note that in Pike County there was a 17.5% drop in furniture and a big 25% drop in Covington, the only two adjoining counties with this figure available.

While all these items were dropping, the hardware and farm implement business increased a tremendous 45%; the figures on retail sales in various counties showed a drop in this category. General merchandise stores showed a 20.8% increase and grocery stores sales increased 18% during the period. Drug stores increased almost 5% and clothing stores about 4%.

Coffee County citizens spent \$54,453,000 on retail purchases during this period.



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Santa To Visit Elba On Saturday

Each year it is a tradition with the Elba Fire Department to escort Santa into town on Saturday before Christmas. This year is no exception and the firemen have released the route Santa will follow. The time is 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon, December 20th.

The firetruck will meet Santa at the airport and drive straight in on Highway 64 to the square at Martins, go around the square, back to Johnson's old Tire Store. Turning right up Claxton to Newton and left on Newton Street to Santa's arrival at the Taylor Mill Road (Newton St.) to Coleman Brothers Funeral Home and turn left from there back to the airport.

Santa will be giving out candy to all the youngsters under the age of 50.



Bullard Shows Off Fish

Bobby Bullard is shown straining to hold up a string of 36 bass he caught Monday in Whitewater Creek. Bullard said, "I had to throw back some small ones."

This is by far the largest string of bass caught by any one person reported to this newspaper in a long time - if not ever.



BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Frankly, I was a little surprised to see Public Service Commission President Kenneth Hammond get convicted and sentenced to prison for soliciting a pay-off. I had no inside knowledge on his guilt or innocence, but was not expecting anyone to have enough proof to get a conviction. Now another bribery case has surfaced. It amazes me to see a multi-millionaire interested enough in dog racing to even care who is on the racing commission, much less get charged with paying money to control the appointments on the board!

We have heard that more people have applied for the coaching job at Elba High. The reports indicate that Elba has no shortage of well-qualified applicants for the job. However, the list will probably level off about now as men who have been mentioned and/or contacted accept jobs at other schools. One man whose name had been mentioned in meetings, has reportedly accepted a position at Ozark. There is talk that others who have shown some interest in Elba are also looking at other positions. This will eliminate some from consideration, but judging from the list of fine folks available, Elba can still get a good coach for next year.

Another bit of information on football is that Elba and Enterprise will again play each other in football beginning next fall. This is a money game for both schools and will not be involved with either team's chances for the playoffs. This game attracts a lot of fans every year, but when both schools have a good team record, the stands in Elba or Enterprise will be full.

The Elba City Council is looking into the possibility of extending the city limits. At this point, this doesn't mean it will be done, but that it MAY be done. This could possibly develop into a big quarrel if emotions are aroused. However, if the matter is discussed among mature-adults, the year or so decision can be made and everyone still remain friends. But - the other way sure sells a lot of newspapers!

Every governmental body we are associated with is turning for money due to expanded spending and inflation. Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts is setting an example for state employees in his state. He rides the subway without body guards and from work "to help cut the budget and counter a rising operating budget." I do have a question in my mind however - with all the books we have today, maybe he shouldn't be without a whole army of bodyguards.

King's Mountain, North Carolina is a community of 9,000. Since 1967 the city has received over \$16,000,000 in federal aid for various projects! That is one thing about these federal grants - once you get started on the right track, one grant begets another and another. But when a community gets back more than it put in, someone is getting rich. The chairman then produced a long list of suspected violations "for the record," part of which are listed below.

Christmas time is coming and if any of you are at a loss about what to get me for Christmas, I have a list prepared for you to select from. Keep in mind though, that my list has some pretty expensive gifts on it!

Selling Your Home Calls For Cleanup

When you show your home to prospective buyers, you want it to look as attractive as possible. The following tips will help.

- Remove all unnecessary articles from your basement and attic. Strive for an uncluttered look. If necessary, brighten dark basement walls with a coat of paint.
- Arrange bedrooms so they look as large as possible. Remove excess furniture and use freshly laundered curtains.
- Kitchens and bathrooms are showcase areas for cleanliness. Check and repair caulking in bathrooms and showers, and make sure these rooms sparkle.
- When showing your home, avoid having too many people present. The potential buyer will feel like an intruder and will hurry through the house. Keep pets out of the way.

SPEAKING OUT

Dear Editor:

Your article regarding discussions that took place at the last School Board meeting were very interesting. I certainly agree that academics should come before band, football, or anything else. However, if all teachers were as interested in their jobs and spent as much time doing their job as a GOOD coach does, then they should have a right to supplemental pay as higher salary. Bear in mind, I said a GOOD coach and this includes being a good teacher for the classes he conducts. After all, I believe I'm right in assuming that the coach teaches some classes during the school day. That's what the other teachers get paid for. Yet he has a great responsibility after the school day is over that other teachers don't have, and a GOOD coach does more than coach - he builds character.

A person without character is worse than one without an education, and there are VERY few teachers in the Elba School System who have as much influence on a kid as the coach does on the large group of young men he works with. If the teachers in our school system were as interested and efficient in their jobs and the kids they teach as they should be, they would all deserve supplemental pay. As far as high school kids reading on a 3rd grade level, I don't know what criteria was used or who the authority was that decided this; but whose fault is this? I'm sure the majority of those kids were taught to read (or not to read) in the Elba School System. I don't care how much a coach is paid or who is hired, but I think the other teachers in the school system have no business setting salaries. They are employees, not managers.

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SANTA CLAUS A CIA MAN?

Earlier this year I mentioned rumors being whispered in Washington that Santa Claus might not be making his annual run this year, and if he attempted to do so he might be charged with contempt of Congress. With just a few days to go, the whispers have turned into shouts. In his haste to prepare presents for all the good little boys and girls (adults, too), Santa, it seems, has neglected to fill out many necessary government forms which would allow him to operate and is engaging in some rather "shady" practices.

The latest offense allegedly committed by the jolly old man is "invasion of privacy." It appears that he neglected to get permission for the Congress to "find out" who's naughty or nice, or to make a list. Additionally, his name keeps coming up in a prominent Senate Investigation Hearing as a possible C.I.A. operative - code name "Kris Kringle."

He's buying information with all those presents, one rate Senator who received no gift charged. "S. Claus can't be spying on all those children and not be working for the C.I.A.," another Senator stated. "The Man in Red" must be working for the C.I.A.," the Chairman contended. "How else could he get away with such flagrant violations of the law?" The Chairman then produced a long list of suspected violations "for the record," part of which are listed below.

1. Violating the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 by operating a flying visit without being certified by the C.A.B. and not filing a flight plan with the F.A.A.

2. Unlawfully competing with the U.S. Postal Service on air mail deliveries.

3. Failing to have adequate emission control devices on his reindeer, thus violating Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) requirements.

4. Failing to pay his elves the minimum wage or proper overtime benefits.

5. Violating numerous S.H.A. regulations by operating an "unsafe workplace." Cited for failure to have elves wear hard hats.

I believe a coach and any other employee should be paid according to what he does and how well he does it. However, if this were the case, some of our teachers, like people in all types of jobs, wouldn't make as much as they do now. As far as supplemental pay, certainly any good merit system includes some type of incentive pay or award for above-average performance, and that's really what supplemental pay is. If a coach only coached or was only a teacher and not a coach, he wouldn't deserve any more than other teachers doing one job - but he does both and should be paid accordingly.

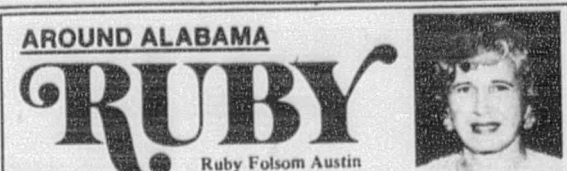
The School Board should not listen to teachers or other citizens, but do their job as best they can without personalities involved, and hire by a good list of criteria.

INTERESTED IN QUALITY Rosy Outlook Seen For Service Sector

The service sector is expected to expand rapidly in 1976 as economic recovery accelerates, according to a new study by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The emergence of new, marketable service industries will contribute to the growth, the study says. In addition, the growing complexities of modern business will stimulate demand for such business services as equipment rentals, employment agencies, legal services, and systems management.

As apartment living continues to increase sharply in the late 1970s, home maintenance services are also expected to expand significantly. Larger markets for home health services, medical services, leisure activities and retirement communities in warm weather areas may be expected as the number of elderly people increases during the next several years.



AROUND ALABAMA RUBY

Ruby Fulum Austin

As I've said a few times before, I was literally raised on politics. Ever since I can remember, I've been surrounded by men discussing how to run a government. Of course, it was mainly state and local governments and that's pretty much like the federal government on a little bit smaller scale. But as long as I can remember, I don't believe I ever heard anybody use the word "detente."

Now I know state governments don't send ambassadors to foreign countries, but they do deal with other states, and somewhere along the line you will have thought the word "detente" would pop up. Goodness knows I pop up enough now. Maybe Mr. Kissinger started it, though why he'd figure he had to use a French word to say something simple, I can't see. All I can see is that means is slow down and stop fighting and let's get on, and it seems to me that saying "a policy of friendliness" would do just as well as saying "a policy of detente."

Well, anyway, a long time ago we had a kind of policy of "detente" with Florida. Not many people pay any attention to it now, but back when our government was purchasing American land from the French and the Spanish and state lines were being drawn, the lines followed what would seem natural. It seemed natural that Alabama would extend clean down to the Gulf of Mexico, and it did!

Back when Alabama was becoming a state, I had a

great-grandfather named Matthews. He homesteaded Ozark and he also owned a lot of property in what is now the Florida Panhandle. My grandmother inherited it.

Not long after that, the South went through a awful period during and following the War Between the States (and I hope all you'll will remember to tell your children that it doesn't matter what the history books call it, it WAS a war between two countries and NOT any internal civil war). Anyway, everybody was dirt poor and my grandmother swapped the land, little by little, for things like potatoes and corn. Besides, you'd call it now, to feed her family and keep body and soul together. The way I've heard it told, she swapped mostly to people from Florida and they moved in. The first thing anybody knew, they were claiming it was part of Florida, like squatters rights almost.

Of course, the Florida legislature later recognized that the Panhandle was supposed to be part of Alabama. All you have to do is look on a map and it's pretty obvious, and besides, Florida had more coastal land than they needed anyway. So the Florida legislature met and agreed that Alabama could have the Panhandle, or rather, could buy back the land of the miracle beaches.

Back then we didn't exactly have a Kissinger-type ambassador to send down to Florida, but we had another citizen and believe me, he knew all about "detente," even if he'd never heard the word. Anyway, the state gave him the necessary money for the purchase and he climbed in his horse and buggy and headed for Tallahassee to buy back the land.

Now EVERYBODY in the Florida legislature wasn't for

doing the right thing and selling the Panhandle back to us. The faction that wanted to keep the Panhandle realized how friendly our "ambassador" was, so the story goes, they got together with him and all that money and along with a lot of "detente," got him drunk - and that was the end of that. He just kind of friendly-like gave it all back to them and the deal to reclaim the Florida Panhandle as part of the state of Alabama was never consummated.

I won't call his name, Alabama's ambassador of long ago. He might still have some kin folks around, and they'd be embarrassed by his "policy of friendliness," but I will tell you this: he's buried in Elba.

From that day to this, that business about Florida owning the Panhandle has always bothered me. Maybe we could interest Mr. Kissinger in reopening negotiations to operate the plant, its fuel oil product will furnish 2.2 kilowatt hours.

In addition, it will reclaim 25 tons of usable glass and metals with a value of about \$750. A spokesman for the project says that for each kilowatt of electricity required to operate the plant, its fuel oil product will furnish 2.2 kilowatt hours.

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Garbage May Soon Fuel Your Home

The first large-scale trash and garbage recycling facility is now under construction in El Cajon, Cal.

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The Pilot Club met last Thursday night, December 11, at the Elba Country Club for their regular monthly business meeting.

During the last business session, Marian Bowers, project chairman for Operation Santa Claus, reported on final plans for the Children's Christmas party. It is to be held on December 20; refreshments will be served and toys will be distributed.

Other members reported on various club projects and the meeting was adjourned by President Ann Beck.

Following the meeting, the club members joined their guests in the dining room for their annual Christmas dinner and party.

The tables were decorated with a variety of Christmas arrangements. The 20 club members and their guests, including special guests Mr. and Mrs. Ferrin Cox, enjoyed a delicious dinner.

After the meal, the group enjoyed a game of selecting a "surprise" gift, and participating in another interesting and hilarious game.

Pilot president Ann Beck thanked those members who had planned and prepared for the party, and expressed the club's pleasure for having the guests that were present, and wished everyone "Happy Holidays."

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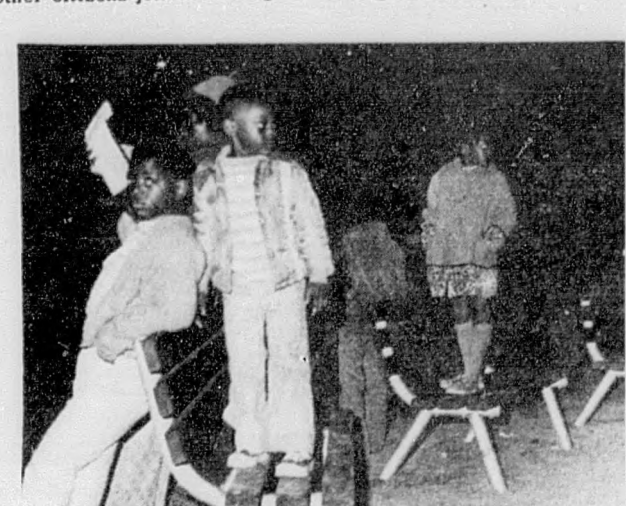
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Mr. & Mrs. Legg To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Legg will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, December 21, from 2 till 4 o'clock. It will be held in the fellowship hall of the Brantley Baptist Church.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Legg invite relatives, friends and acquaintances to join them in this celebration.

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BLACK AND GOLD REVIEW

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Question Of The Week

WHAT THOUGHT HAS
PRESSED ON YOUR MIND
FOR THE PAST WEEK?
--Will Martin - Who will win
the Sugar Bowl? PENNSYLVANIA
--David Smith - Will Auburn
win the toilet bowl?
--Bert Morrow - How to pass
chemistry?
--Mike Driggers - When will
the people of the U.S. be able
to make a living without pay-
ing for it?
--Jennifer Johnson - When
will some certain girls quit
minding my business?
--Susan Jones - Will first
semester ever end?
--Vicky Galtmore - Will Troy
State University soon see me
walking down its halls?
--Rachel Moore - Will Auburn
ever win another game or
score another point?
--Mr. Pearce - Will the co-
op students ever learn to keep
their study guides up to date?
--Doug Hudson - What will
I do Friday Night?
--Dennis Sasser - What will
I do next semester during 3rd
period when I don't have Sher-
ry and Vicki to cut up with?

French Club Has Christmas Party

Party

Le Cercle Francais d'Elba met on December 4, in Mrs. Padgett's room for their annual Christmas party. The meeting was called to order and all business was attended to. A presentation on Christmas in France was given by Claude Collier. Members enjoyed a game, "Merry" in which prizes were awarded to the winners. Following the games everyone enjoyed party delicacies.

The French Club of Elba High held a bake sale on November 21. The purpose of the bake sale was to finance our expenses incurred during homecoming. The balance will be used on the club's project at the annual convention in March. A total of \$112.65 was raised. Our thanks to each of you who contributed in this activity. Without your co-operation, we could not have had a successful bake sale.

SENIOR OF THE WEEK

This weeks Senior of the Week is Sue Donaldson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Donaldson. Sue has many hobbies and interests. These include sewing, embroidery, and talking. Sue is a member of the F.H.A. and is president of the Library Club. This year Sue's subjects are Typing II, Home Economics III, P.E., Sociology, Advanced Grammar and Library Aid. Sue attends the New Ebenezer Baptist Church where she is president of the church's A.C. teams.

Junior Beta Club Organized

The Junior Beta Club held its organizational meeting on Thursday, Dec. 4. The Senior Beta Club officers gave a brief job description of their offices. A student must maintain a B average for two consecutive semesters to be eligible for membership. Sixty-five students attended this organizational meeting and the following officers were elected:

President - Pete Cash
Vice President - Betsy Brunson
Secretary - Lynn Owens
Treasurer - Becky Wise
Reporter - Rachelle Bozeman

The meeting was then adjourned.

After graduation Sue plans to attend MacArthur Technical School in Opa.

Good luck with plans, Sue.

Editorial

Maybe this week's editorial won't mean much to everybody, but it means more to me than any editorial I've written this year. This editorial deals with the feelings I have about leaving school.

You see, this week will be my last week in school. I'm graduating and moving up to Troy to continue my education. When I think of leaving Elba High, I think of leaving the best group of teachers and students I've ever seen. Maybe it's because I've never attended another school but I think one would have to look mighty long and hard to find any better!!!

To the students and especially the seniors, I'd like to say that one thing always holds true: You'll get out of school what you put into it. Sure, there will be bad times, but that's to be expected. Just remember, don't be skipping school and playing dumb all the time, because this is the last time you'll get to pass this way. You'll never be together with ALL your classmates and friends at one time again.

This is the biggest step so far in my life and it sure makes me stop and think about my life in doing it. Although I'm looking forward to getting to Troy, I sure dread leaving EHS, but it has to be done. Sherry Marler



Guess Who

Grade - 12
Favorite Class - English Lit
Favorite Food - Hamburger
Favorite Pastime - Old Blue



VICA SPOTLIGHT

This week the spotlight features Donna Mount. Donna is employed by and is being trained at Sears. This is her first year in the VIE Co-op program and is proving to be a very capable worker according to Mr. Glen Vaughan, manager. Congratulations, Donna, on a job well done and good luck in your future plans. David Sasser, Reporter.

MYSTERY TEACHER

-ission Impossible
Family Affair
Kate M-Shane
B-on
C-p and The Kid
The -allons
Three- For The Road



A Salute To The 1975-1976 Pep Club

The Pep club is a group of dedicated and enthusiastic young girls grades 9-12 who have been the backbone of

AMERICA'S HERITAGE

HIGHLIGHTS OF AMERICAN HISTORY

General Francis Marion's Lunch Party, Georgetown, S.C.



BICENTENNIAL SPOTLIGHT

Progress! What does this mean? In many ways our nation has progressed since its formation. We have numerous machines to make life much easier. Machines have come to take the place of many laborers in America. I am very thankful for these machines and the men who have made them possible. But I cannot understand why people have overlooked the betterment of man just to make life easier.

New York City is full of skyscrapers and in one sense this is progress. However, how many skyscraping men do we know? Very few, I suppose. Instead of trying to improve machines so that lives will be easier, let's try to improve ourselves so that our lives will be better.

"We Three Kings" - Mr. Foley, Mr. Powell, Mr. Patton.
"Oh Come All Ye Faithful" - to a basketball game
"Little Drummer Boy" - Stephen Ballard
"Joy To The World" - If Mr. Powell would lose his paddle.
"What Child Is This?" - an elementary student found wandering in the hall.

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MATH CLUB ENJOYS PARTY

The annual Christmas party for Mu Alpha Theta was held December 4, in the school library. Before the festivities began, President Regina Towles reported on the success of the last bake sale and the preparations for a future one. She also expressed gratitude to all members furnishing refreshments for the meeting. Then as Christmas carols set the mood, the members enjoyed refreshments and fellowship for the remainder of the meeting. Kenneth Bryan Reporter

MYSTERY STUDENT

Love of life
- The World Turns
Tattle-ales
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Se-rrch For Tomorrow
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Taylor's Celebrate Anniversary With A Reception

Mrs. Trammell Feted With Miscellaneous Shower

Mrs. Gregory Allen Trammell, nee Jo Ann Bayley, recent bride, was honored on Saturday, December 6, with a miscellaneous shower in the home of Mrs. Grady Thomas. Other hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Maxwell Reeves, Mrs. Haywood Grimes, Mrs. Joe Clark, Mrs. James H. Clark, Mrs. William R. Pope, Mrs. O. V. Rhoades and Mrs. James C. Rhoades. Guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Thomas and presented with a gift. The shower was presided over by Mrs. Maxwell Reeves. Mrs. James C. Rhoades registered the guests from a round table adorned with an arrangement of pink carnations, mints and petit fours by Mrs. Debbie Rhoades, Miss Sherrie Marler and Miss Donna McCollough. The table was overlaid with a lace cloth in the chosen colors. At one end the punch bowl was flanked by beautiful greenery and pink carnations while the other end held a silver candelabra with pink burning tapers. Guests were directed to the three gift rooms by Mrs. Maxwell Reeves where they were greeted by hostesses, Mrs. Joe Clark, Mrs. James H. Clark, Mrs. William R. Pope and Mrs. O. V. Rhoades. For the occasion the honoree wore a pink and white floor length dress accented by a white corsage of carnations. She was presented a platter and serving bowl of her selection of pink carnations, mints and petit fours by Mrs. Debbie Rhoades, Miss Sherrie Marler and Miss Donna McCollough. The table was overlaid with a lace cloth in the chosen colors. At one end the punch bowl was flanked by beautiful greenery and pink carnations while the other end held a silver candelabra with pink burning tapers. Guests were directed to the three gift rooms by Mrs. Maxwell Reeves where they were greeted by hostesses, Mrs. Joe Clark, Mrs. James H. Clark, Mrs. William R. Pope and Mrs. O. V. Rhoades. For the occasion the honoree wore a pink and white floor length dress accented by a white corsage of carnations. She was presented a platter and serving bowl of her selection of pink carnations, mints and petit fours by Mrs. Debbie Rhoades, Miss Sherrie Marler and Miss Donna McCollough.

Azalea Garden Club Enjoys Christmas Meeting

The Azalea Garden Club met in the home of Mrs. Bryan on Wednesday morning December 10th with Mrs. Kasper Anderson serving as co-hostess. The reception room was beautifully decorated, symbolic of the holiday season. As the members arrived they were served cake, party dainties and coffee. The president, Mrs. Edd Baker, presided and called for reports from officers and committees. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Baker thanked the ladies who helped with the cancer clinic held recently. Club members brought gift wrapped packages to be presented to the Elba Nursing Home residents. A committee was appointed to deliver the packages before Christmas. Mrs. Bryan displayed a decorated basket containing various colored coat hangers that she had made and asked each member to select the color of her choice as a gift. Mrs. Bancroft Cooper presented her program, "Christmas Decorations," with the timely thought "Come Eagerly To Christmas." She then presented some very practical and inexpensive Christmas ideas. Mrs. Cooper concluded her program by assembling a very unique Christmas tree using beautifully decorated boxes. Each box depicting one of the twelve days of Christmas.

Mrs. Kasper Anderson then sang "The Twelve Days of Christmas." The following members were present: Mrs. Claude Dorsey, Mrs. Mose Ham, Mrs. Robert Cannon, Mrs. Harry Bullard, Mrs. Bancroft Cooper, Mrs. Flournoy Whitman, Mrs. T. T. Rhodes, Mrs. Price Ringo, Mrs. Edd Baker, Mrs. Mayo Prescott, Mrs. Robert Davis, Mrs. Sam Rowe, Mrs. Kasper Anderson and Mrs. T. B. Bryan.

Miss Judy Asher, daughter of Major (Ret.) and Mrs. John Asher, Rt. 1, Elba, plans to study abroad for the winter quarter of 1976. Judy is presently a senior at Auburn University majoring in Interior Architecture which is a curriculum within the School of Architecture and Fine Arts. The group of 36 all architecture and interior architecture majors plan to leave January 5 from New York City and return on March 12. While in Europe the group will stay two weeks each in the cities of Venice, Florence and Rome. Scheduled group tours are planned for the week-ends to neighboring cities. Much emphasis will be placed on sketching, studio-type projects, written papers and seminar sessions. The last two weeks of the group travel will be spent in independent study. Each student has to file a plan of activities and then proceed on a mini-trip of their own. The tour is designed to give each student the opportunity to examine one foreign country and its culture in depth.

At Auburn, Judy is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma social fraternity. Assistant Social Chairman 1974-75, Gloria Beaudette Editor 1975-76, Greek Section Assistant 1974-75 and a member of the American Society of Interior Designers.

Mrs. and Mrs. James Hall (James and Floie) are the proud parents of a brand new baby boy, Chad Eric, born Sunday, December 14, at 7:04 p.m. in an Enterprise hospital. Chad weighed 7 lbs. 14 ounces at birth. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Drewery of Elba, and Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hall of Rt. 1, Opp.



Mr. and Mrs. Curry Taylor were honored recently at a reception celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Hosted by their children and Mrs. Ruby Weeks, the reception was held in their home on Taylor Mill Road. Guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Weeks, Presiding at the registration table was a granddaughter, Miss Vicki Taylor. The living room was decorated with an arrangement of bronze mums. The refreshment table, overlaid with an antique white lace cloth over gold, held a candelabra with gold burning tapers. The three-tiered anniversary cake was decorated with white roses and pale green topped with the golden numerals "50." Greenery and red berries surrounded the punch bowl. The table was attended by relatives of the couple. The anniversary cake was served by Miss Diane Weeks and Mrs. Bonnie Taylor. Mrs. Bonnie Weeks presided at the punch service. Mrs. Taylor wore a street length dress of rose knit. Her corsage was a bronze mum topped with the golden numerals "50." Approximately 100 relatives and friends attended the reception. Mr. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor, the former Ollie Brown, were married December 10, 1925 at Pine Level and have lived in Elba all of their 50 years together. Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Mike Weeks, Troy; Mr. and Mrs. Rickey Grantham, Mrs. Beatrice Grantham, and Major and Mrs. Joe Foster, and son, Tracy, Columbus, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Foster, Leeds, Miss Diane Weeks, Tuscaloosa; Mrs. Earl Carmack, Jr. and daughter, Tracy, Mrs. T. D. Foster Jr. and Mrs. Joe Foster.

MacArthur Tech To Close For Christmas

MacArthur State Technical College will begin a two-week Christmas Vacation at the close of classes on Friday, December 19. School offices will also be closed during these two weeks. Classes will resume on Monday, January 5, 1976.

We wish to thank each and everyone of our friends and neighbors for the food, flowers, thoughts and prayers extended to us during the death of our loved one, George Jackson Wise. May God's richest blessings be with you now and always. The Wise Family. 11/18/75.

Card Of Thanks

Kim, and Mrs. Everett Price, Fairfax; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Taylor, Opp; Mr. and Mrs. Farley Taylor, Dothan; and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Weeks and children, Rhonda, Weizell and Carrie, and Mrs. Ruby Weeks, Kinston. Gifts were displayed by Mrs. T. D. Foster Jr. and Mrs. Joe Foster.

Mrs. Brunson Entertains Music Lovers Club

The Music Lovers Club met in the home of Mrs. Lister Brunson on December 11, 1975. Mrs. Van McCall was co-hostess. Members and guests were served a delicious assortment of Christmas goodies, including chicken salad and coffee. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Kasper Anderson. Mrs. Pat Bicknell and Mrs. Linda Haven were recognized and welcomed as guests and Mr. Glen Haven, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bruce, Jr. and Mrs. Bill Cooper, Mrs. George Lamar Collier, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Haven, Mrs. R. H. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Lowery, Mrs. M. V. Miles, Mrs. Van McCall, Mrs. Bill McCollough, Mrs. Price Ringo, Mrs. Jimmy Ramsey, Mrs. Lamar Vaughan and Mrs. E. M. Warr. The club will meet in January with Mrs. E. M. Warr.

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Delynn Grant Celebrates 6th Birthday

Little Miss Delynn Grant will celebrate her 6th birthday with a party at the Dairy Queen on Saturday the 20th of December between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m. The menu will include hamburgers, french fries, Cokes, cake and ice cream. Enjoying the happy hours with the birthday girl will be Sandy Maddox, Brook and Chuck Daughtry, Candi and Chris Moore. Teressa, Jeffrey and Bowie Kirkland. Delynn is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Grant and she attends the Elba Preschool system.

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Magnolia Garden Club Meets

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Jennifer Smith Honored At Party

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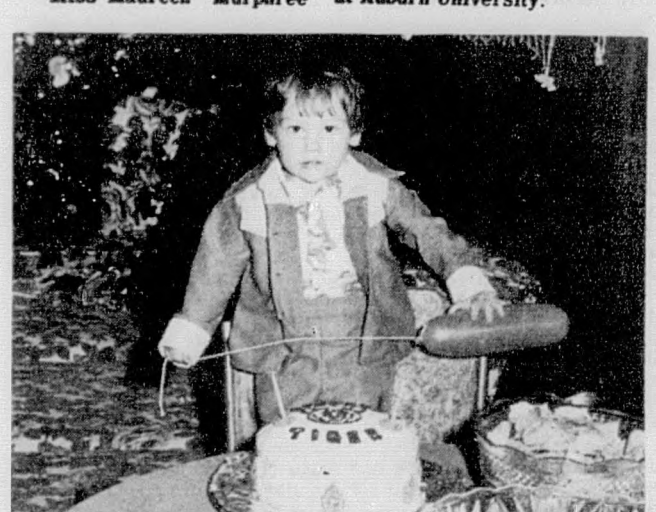
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Miss Murphree Wed To Mr. Humphreys Recently

The marriage of Miss Margaret Alice Murphree to Mr. Lewis Gilbert Humphreys, Jr. took place at four in the afternoon on December 13, 1975, in Briarwood Presbyterian Church in Birmingham. The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Roger Harris Murphree of Birmingham. Mr. Murphree is formerly of Elba and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris Murphree, Jr. and Boyd Murphree, Jr. of Elba. The groom's parents are Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Gilbert Humphreys, Sr. of Chattanooga, Tenn. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a traditional bridal gown and veil, and carried a bouquet of red Jacqueline roses and lily-of-the-valley with streamers of pearls and love knots. Miss Maureen Murphree was her sister's maid-of-honor. Others serving as the bride's attendants were Mrs. Clifton Wiley, Miss Patty Major, Miss Teena Tinsley, Miss Luana Humphreys and Miss Jeannette Wilson. The groom's brother, Malory Humphreys, served as best man. Candelighters were Roger Murphree, Jr. and Boyd Murphree, Jr. of Elba. The reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. Following the reception the bride and groom left for a honeymoon trip to Sugar Mountain Resort, in North Carolina. Mr. and Mrs. Humphreys will live in Auburn, where they will continue their studies at Auburn University.

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Sports

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COACHING VACANCY DRAWS ATTENTION

The coaching vacancy at Elba High School has been drawing quite a bit of attention in the past few days. As everyone knows, Homecoming coach Mac Champion was in town for a luncheon on Saturday, December 6. It is rumored that at least two Board members are in favor of hiring Champion. However, other coaches have paid Elba a visit in recent days, so they don't feel the job is locked up for Champion.

Stan Moss, an assistant coach at Arab High School, was in town on Tuesday, December 9, and was given a tour of school facilities by principal Lamar Foley. Moss is considered one of the state's top young coaches, and word is that he has been offered the head coaching job at a north Alabama school. However, Moss told me that he would like to come to Elba, and wants the position!

On Thursday, December 11, former T. R. Miller and Charles Henderson coach Mack Wood was at school. Wood led T. R. Miller to a state championship, and twice coached Troy into the state grid playoffs. Wood has been out of coaching for the past two years, but wants to return to the grid wars. Wood is a proven winner, and would make a fine coach at EHS. Eufaula coach Ed Comer was scheduled to be in town on Monday of this week, and the ex-Elba coach is reported to be interested in coming back to EHS. Comer would also make Elba a fine coach!

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The win gives the Tigers a 3-5 record, while the loss leaves the Wildcats with a 1-6 chart.

Elba came out wanting to run on offense and jumped into an 8-2 lead midway through the opening stanza. The Wildcats rallied late in the quarter, and cut the Tigers' lead to 13-10 after one period of play.

Elba played perhaps their finest quarter of the season in the second stanza, and blew the 4A Wildcats off the court in route to taking a 40-23 halftime lead.

The Tigers lead grew to 46-23 with 5:15 showing in the third quarter, but Enterprise jumped into a pressing defense at 43-30 left, and cut the Elba advantage to 40-38 with 1:21 left in the period. At end of the third quarter Elba, 40-38.

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The Zion Chapel Rebels, leading only 13-11 after one quarter, used a pressing defense and a fast breaking offense to blow open the game, and rolled to an easy 81-51 win over the Goshen Eagles.

The Rebels came out playing tough on defense, and jumped out to a 6-2 lead with 4:01 left in the opening stanza. Play got ragged late in the quarter, and at the end of the first period ZC held a slim 13-11 lead.

The Rebels went into a "press" with 5:34 left in the half, and opened a 26-15 lead with 3:01 left in the quarter. The lead went to 29-17 with 1:54 showing, and at halftime Zion Chapel owned a 35-21 advantage.

The Rebels simply pulled away throughout the third period, and doubled the Eagles at 50-25 with 4:28 showing on the clock. At the end of the third quarter the ZC lead was up to 59-34.

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